## Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission



# 1. RESTORATION SUMMARY

# December, 2011 January, 2012

#### **Restoration Activities:**

- During the month of December, nets from the Kanapou cleanup at Keoneuli beach were flown via helicopter and placed in gulches above Kamōhio Bay for erosion control.
- Employees from the Four Seasons Resort in Wailea contributed time to the NRCS grant by planting in Kealialalo and doing road work at Kaukaukapapa.
- Over 6400 gallons of water was hauled from the catchment at Luamakika to holding tanks at Kealialalo for the new plantings.
- In January, Volcano Charter School planted koai`a in Kealialalo contributing to the NRCS grant. Volunteers from Volcano also planted `uala at Luamakika with the assistance of KIRC interns, Pono, Poema, and Roland.
- Volunteers from Montessori planted 800 native plants contributing towards the NRCS wetland grant in Kealialalo.

#### **Other News:**

- We would like to welcome our newest intern Roland Ramos.
- Lyman averaged 166 surveys from 11 restoration trips. Overall staff professionalism is rated at 4.9 out of 5 (just as good as the food)!

## **Faunal Restoration:**

- Six cats were trapped during December and January including four females. One Pueo kill was discovered at Kealaikahiki.
- Mice numbers continue to be low due to the dry weather. Only a quarter of an inch of rain was recorded at the Hakioawa weather station, while Honokanai`a only recorded a seventeenth of an inch.
- Jamie will be attending the annual Pacific Seabird Group Conference on Oahu in February and meeting with members of the Kaho`olawe Island Restoration Working Group to discuss avian restoration on Kaho`olawe. The final draft of the Feral Cat Eradication Plan is currently being finalized with Island Conservation.

Volunteers planting `uala

Volcano Charter School volunteers

KIRC intern Roland Ramos





